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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)****SUBJECT : Case Processing Time For Applicants For Professional Positions**

1. This memorandum is for the information of the Deputy Director (Support).

2. The attached copy of a memorandum, dated 8 December 1959, to the Inspector General regarding processing time for applicants for professional positions was requested by [ ] of the Inspector General's Office.

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3. In a discussion with [ ] by representatives of this Office, it was learned that he has talked to recruiters in Personnel Headquarters and in the field and that it was their contention that they were losing many qualified applicants, because of the period of time it was taking Security to investigate such applicants. It apparently was their feeling that such cases were taking from 6 to 8 months to clear.

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4. It was pointed out to [ ] that continuous review of procedures is underway in this Office to insure that the time it takes to clear applicants is cut to the barest minimum. He was advised that it was the feeling of this Office that other processing time should be considered in judging the length of time that an applicant's case is processed before employment with the Agency, because it did not appear that the processing time of the Office of Security was necessarily the only reason for the loss of qualified applicants.

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